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July 25, 2000

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Office of Conservation
Post Office Box 44275
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70804-4275

Re: APPLICATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING
WILCOX E ZONE, RESERVOIR B, SU 135
NEBO-HEMPHILL FIELD
LaSalle Parish, Louisiana.

Dear Sir:

Belle Exploration, Inc. ("Applicant") hereby respectfully applies for a public hearing to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the Wilcox E Zone, Reservoir B in Nebo-Hemphill Field, Lasalle Parish, Louisiana:

1. To authorize Applicant to drill, designate and utilize its Petro-Hunt, et. al. BH No. 4 well as a substitute unit well for the WX E RB SU 135 at the location shown on the attached plat, in exception to the well location provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 781-F, effective January 1, 1986.
2. To consider such other matters as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the hearing.

The Wilcox E Zone, Reservoir B in Nebo-Hemphill Field, LaSalle Parish, Louisiana was fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 781-F, effective January 1, 1986.

Pertinent data concerning this application is available for inspection at the offices of Joe B. Adams, 9141 Interline Ave. Suite 3A, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70809. Any person wishing to inspect such data should contact Mr. Adams at (225) 929-6097 during normal business hours to arrange a date and time for such inspection. A copy of any such data which is not otherwise available at the Office of Conservation can be obtained from the Applicant at the expense of the requesting party.

As provided for by the Revised Rules of Procedure, the subject matter of this hearing application does not require the issuance of a pre-application notice; therefore no such notice has been issued.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, Applicant has made a reasonable effort to obtain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties to whom this application is being sent and has attached hereto a list of the names and addresses of such parties.

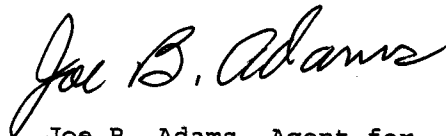
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A copy of this letter and the attached plat is being sent to the District Manager of the Monroe District of the Office of Conservation and to the Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties, as shown on the attached list.

Applicant will provide for posting a copy of the Legal Notice of this hearing and the enclosed plat at a prominent place in the area affected and will cause the Legal Notice to be published in a newspaper published in the general area of Nebo-Hemphill Field, all in accordance with the Revised Rules of Procedure. Applicant will also mail a copy of the Legal Notice to all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties when received by the Applicant.

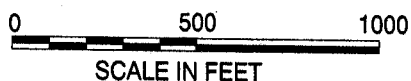
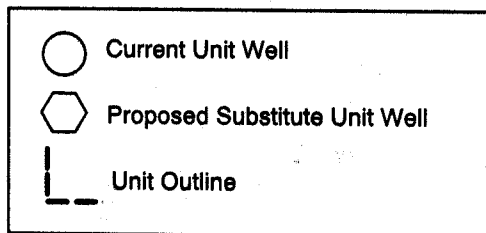
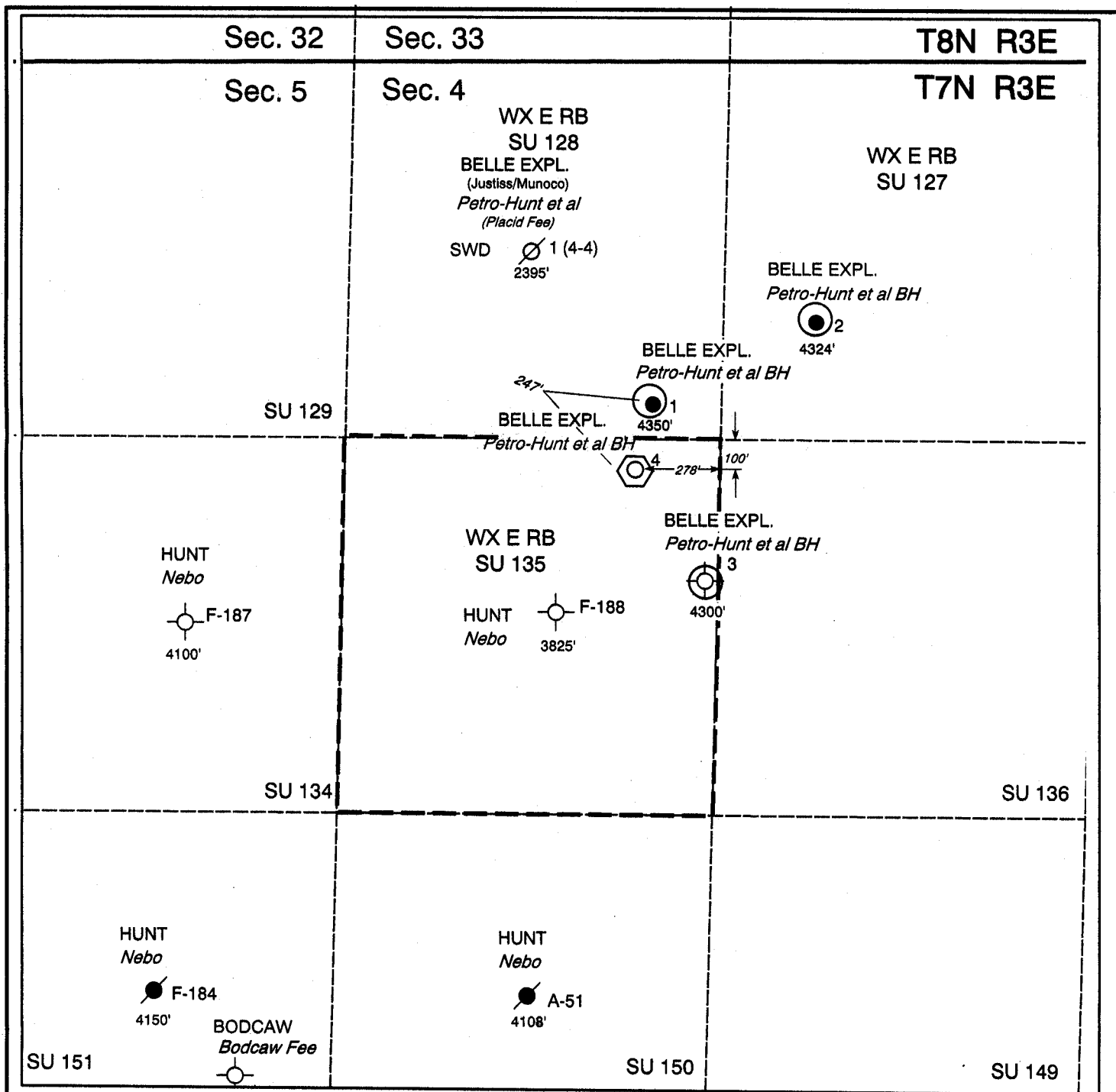
A check in the amount of \$ 755.00 payable to the Office of Conservation covering the application fee is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joe B. Adams".

Joe B. Adams, Agent for
Belle Exploration, Inc.

cc: Mr. Clarence Chandler
Interested Owners, Represented Parties
and Interested Parties on the attached list.



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Exhibit No. 1

BELLE EXPLORATION, INC.

NEBO-HEMPHILL FIELD

LaSalle Parish, Louisiana

Proposed Substitute Unit Well

Date:

Joe B. Adams Consulting Geologist